

# MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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H. P. 859

House of Representatives, Feb. 17, 1927.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Hale of Portland.

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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE  
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN

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AN ACT Relating to Secret Indictments.

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section eight of chapter one hundred thirty-six of the re-  
2 vised statutes is hereby amended by inserting after the words  
3 "officer of the court" the words 'unless by order of court,'  
4 so that said section when amended shall read as follows.

'Sect. 8. No grand juror or officer of the court, unless  
2 by order of the court, shall disclose that an indictment for  
3 felony has been found against any person not in custody  
4 or under recognizance, until he is arrested, except by issu-  
5 ing process for his arrest; nor shall any grand juror state  
6 how any member of the jury voted, or what opinion he

7 expressed, on any question before them; and the court, in  
8 charging such jury, shall impress upon their minds this  
9 section.'